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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS, HISTORY OF  
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- HJR 1.** Proposing a constitutional amendment regarding the limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations.  
Author(s): Bonnen, Greg  
Read first time 35. Referred to Appropriations 35. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 368.
- HJR 2.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to limit increases in the appraised value of commercial or industrial real property for ad valorem tax purposes.  
Author(s): Bonnen, Dennis  
Companion document(s): **HJR 35; SJR 14**  
Read first time 46. Referred to Ways & Means 46.
- HJR 16.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.  
Author(s): Keough  
Read first time 35. Referred to Ways & Means 35.
- HJR 17.** Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for an exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes of a dollar amount or a percentage, whichever is greater, of the market value of a residence homestead and providing for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for those purposes on the homestead of an elderly or disabled person to reflect any increase in the exemption amount.  
Author(s): Schofield  
Coauthor(s): Metcalf, Swanson  
Read first time 36. Referred to Ways & Means 36.
- HJR 18.** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to pay at least 50 percent of the cost of maintaining and operating the public school system and prohibiting the comptroller from certifying legislation containing an appropriation unless the requirement is met.  
Author(s): Howard; Bernal; Hinojosa, Gina; Turner  
Coauthor(s): Allen, Blanco, Cortez, Y. Davis, Deshotel, Dukes, Gervin-Hawkins, Giddings, Israel, Minjarez, Muñoz, Neave, Ortega, Perez, Reynolds, E. Rodriguez, Rose, Thierry, S. Thompson, Uresti, Walle  
Companion document(s): **SJR 6**  
Read first time 36. Referred to Appropriations 36.
- HJR 19.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to set a lower limit on the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation.  
Author(s): Bohac  
Companion document(s): **SJR 13**  
Read first time 36. Referred to Ways & Means 36.
- HJR 20.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of a Purple Heart recipient or the surviving spouse of a Purple Heart recipient.  
Author(s): Bohac  
Coauthor(s): Cortez, Uresti, Zerwas  
Read first time 36. Referred to Ways & Means 36. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 116. Read second time 162. Amended (1-Bohac) 162. Postponed 162. Recommitted to committee 206.
- HJR 21.** Proposing a constitutional amendment abolishing school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes.

Author(s): Darby; Bonnen, Dennis; Murr; Stephenson; Shine

Coauthor(s): R. Anderson, G. Bonnen, Burns, Burrows, Capriglione, Cosper, Cyrier, Dean, Faircloth, Flynn, Geren, Goldman, Hefner, Holland, Isaac, Keough, K. King, Krause, Lambert, Landgraf, Metcalf, Meyer, Oliverson, Paul, Phelan, Roberts, Schofield, Schubert, Shaheen, Sheffield, Simmons, Springer, Stucky, E. Thompson, Uresti, VanDeaver, White

Read first time 46. Referred to Ways & Means 46. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 250.

**HJR 22.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to set a lower limit on the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem tax purposes.

Author(s): Metcalf; Keough

Read first time 36. Referred to Ways & Means 36.

**HJR 23.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.

Author(s): Bell

Read first time 36. Referred to Ways & Means 36.

**HJR 24.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to exempt from ad valorem taxation the total market value of the residence homesteads of certain elderly persons and their surviving spouses.

Author(s): Swanson

Read first time 36. Referred to Ways & Means 36.

**HJR 25.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the governing body of a political subdivision other than a school district to adopt an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion, expressed as a dollar amount, of the market value of an individual's residence homestead and authorizing the legislature to prohibit the governing body of a political subdivision that adopts such an exemption from reducing the amount of or repealing the exemption.

Author(s): Shine; Darby

Read first time 36. Referred to Ways & Means 36.

**HJR 26.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the effect of a sale of property on the tax lien on the property to secure the payment of ad valorem taxes, penalties, and interest imposed on the property as a result of the addition to the appraisal roll of property or property value that was erroneously exempted in a prior year.

Author(s): Shine

Companion document(s): **SJR 7**

Read first time 37. Referred to Ways & Means 37.

**HJR 27.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran based on the disability rating of the veteran and harmonizing certain related provisions of the constitution.

Author(s): Leach; Cain

Read first time 37. Referred to Ways & Means 37. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 116. Read second time 253. Postponed 253. Laid out as postponed business 323. Postponed 323. Laid out as postponed business 519. Postponed 519.

**HJR 28.** Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the appropriation or distribution of state money for the performance of an elective abortion or to a person or entity that performs or assists in performing an elective abortion.

Author(s): Bonnen, Greg

Coauthor(s): D. Bonnen, Dean, Metcalf, Schubert

Read first time 37. Referred to State Affairs 37.

- HJR 29.** Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the authorization or funding of an elementary or secondary education voucher program or similar program.  
Author(s): Anchia  
Read first time 37. Referred to Public Education 37.
- HJR 30.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homesteads of certain disabled first responders and their surviving spouses.  
Author(s): Roberts; Raymond; Bonnen, Dennis; Springer; Darby  
Coauthor(s): Bohac, Button, Flynn, Goldman, Lambert, Shine, Simmons, Villalba  
Read first time 37. Referred to Ways & Means 37. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 116. Read second time 242. Amended (1-Roberts) 242. Adopted as amended 242. Record vote (RV#73) 242. Statement of vote recorded in journal 243. Reported engrossed 270.
- HJR 31.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to restrict the power of the legislature to mandate unfunded costs and requirements on a municipality, county, or school district.  
Author(s): Shine; Darby; Burns; Ashby; Cook  
Coauthor(s): C. Anderson, R. Anderson, Bell, Bohac, Burkett, Capriglione, Clardy, Cosper, Dean, Elkins, Faircloth, Flynn, Geren, Gooden, Guillen, Holland, Isaac, Kacal, K. King, T. King, Lambert, Landgraf, Larson, Lozano, Miller, Moody, Morrison, Muñoz, Murr, Nevárez, Paul, Phelan, Phillips, Pickett, Price, Raney, Raymond, Roberts, J. Rodriguez, Schubert, Sheffield, Smithee, Springer, Stephenson, Stucky, E. Thompson, VanDeaver, White, Wray, Zerwas  
Companion document(s): **HJR 34; SJR 8**  
Read first time 46. Referred to State Affairs 46. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 308. Corrected comm. report filed with committee coordinator 317.
- HJR 32.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to appropriate money from the economic stabilization fund to the foundation school fund and use the money to finance a temporary increase in the amount of the exemption of residence homesteads from ad valorem taxation by a school district and a temporary reduction in the amount of the limitation on school district ad valorem taxes imposed on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect the increased exemption amount.  
Author(s): Raymond  
Read first time 37. Referred to Ways & Means 37.
- HJR 33.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to establish a limit on the maximum appraised value of real property other than a residence homestead for ad valorem tax purposes.  
Author(s): Metcalf; Keough  
Read first time 37. Referred to Ways & Means 37.
- HJR 34.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to restrict the power of the legislature to mandate requirements on a municipality or county.  
Author(s): Burns  
Coauthor(s): Capriglione, Murr, Schubert  
Companion document(s): **HJR 31; SJR 8**  
Read first time 32. Referred to State Affairs 32.
- HJR 35.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to limit increases in the appraised value of commercial or industrial real property for ad valorem tax purposes.  
Author(s): Bonnen, Dennis  
Coauthor(s): Parker  
Companion document(s): **HJR 2; SJR 14**  
Read first time 37. Referred to Ways & Means 37.
- HJR 36.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to limit the time that a person may serve as a member of the Texas Legislature.  
Author(s): Fallon

Companion document(s): **SJR 9**

Read first time 38. Referred to State Affairs 38.

**HJR 37.** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring a political subdivision of this state to limit the number of terms for which a person may be elected to hold an office of the political subdivision.

Author(s): Larson

Read first time 38. Referred to State Affairs 38.

**HJR 38.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation precious metal held in the Texas Bullion Depository.

Author(s): Capriglione; Flynn; Springer

Read first time 38. Referred to Ways & Means 38. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 116. Read second time 187. Amended (1-Capriglione) 187. Adopted as amended 187. Record vote (RV#51) 187. Statement of vote recorded in journal 188. Reported engrossed 236.

**HJR 39.** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the Legislature to establish limitations on the rate of taxation and amount of debt for special purpose districts created by general law or special local law.

Author(s): Bonnen, Greg

Read first time 38. Referred to Ways & Means 38.

**HJR 40.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to limit for a temporary period the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed by a political subdivision on a residence homestead rendered uninhabitable or unusable as a result of a natural disaster.

Author(s): Neave

Read first time 38. Referred to Ways & Means 38.

**HJR 41.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to limit the amount of ad valorem taxes that a municipality may impose for a temporary period on property located in an area annexed by the municipality.

Author(s): Uresti, Tomas

Read first time 57. Referred to Ways & Means 57.

**HJR 42.** Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for an exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes of a portion of the market value of a residence homestead based on the median market value of all residence homesteads in the state and providing for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for those purposes on the homestead of an elderly or disabled person to reflect the increased exemption amount.

Author(s): White

Read first time 55. Referred to Ways & Means 55.

**HJR 43.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to establish a lower limit on the maximum appraised value of residence homesteads for ad valorem tax purposes and to establish a limit on the value of other real property for those purposes.

Author(s): Cospers

Read first time 55. Referred to Ways & Means 55.

**HJR 44.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of a peace officer who resides in a high crime area.

Author(s): Gervin-Hawkins

Read first time 57. Referred to Ways & Means 57.

**HJR 45.** Proposing a constitutional amendment limiting to two the number of consecutive terms for which a person may be elected or appointed to hold certain state offices.

Author(s): Larson

Read first time 91. Referred to State Affairs 91.

- HJR 46.** Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for certain excess revenue to be dedicated toward contributions to the state retirement system for education employees and to the health benefit plan for retired education employees and their dependents.  
Author(s): Capriglione  
Read first time 114. Referred to Appropriations 114.
- HJR 47.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to set a lower limit on the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem tax purposes.  
Author(s): Burkett  
Read first time 115. Referred to Ways & Means 115.
- HJR 48.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation income-producing tangible personal property owned by certain small businesses.  
Author(s): Burkett  
Read first time 115. Referred to Ways & Means 115.
- HJR 49.** Proposing a constitutional amendment guaranteeing the right to life of unborn children and prohibiting abortion to the fullest extent possible under law.  
Author(s): Fallon  
Read first time 115. Referred to State Affairs 115.
- HJR 50.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to establish an additional limitation on the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem tax purposes.  
Author(s): Villalba  
Read first time 115. Referred to Ways & Means 115.
- HJR 51.** Proposing a constitutional amendment establishing a limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that taxing units may impose on the residence homesteads of individuals who are disabled or elderly and their surviving spouses.  
Author(s): Villalba  
Read first time 115. Referred to Ways & Means 115.
- HJR 52.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to allocate certain surplus state revenue to the retired school employees group insurance fund.  
Author(s): Howard  
Read first time 151. Referred to Appropriations 151.
- HJR 53.** Proposing a constitutional amendment transferring certain surplus state revenue in the economic stabilization fund and dedicating that revenue to public education.  
Author(s): Huberty  
Read first time 235. Referred to Appropriations 235.
- HJR 54.** Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the governor or a specific-purpose committee for supporting or assisting the governor from accepting political contributions during a special legislative session.  
Author(s): Moody  
Read first time 269. Referred to General Investigating & Ethics 269.
- HJR 55.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.  
Author(s): White